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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 30.

WEDNESDAY, 23RD AUGUST, 1961.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable J. McLeay) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPERS.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
Snowy Mountains Hydro-electric Authority—Interim Annual Report, for year 1960–61.
The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
Australian National University Act—Australian National University—Report for 1960.
Customs Tariff—Orders—
 Customs (British Preferential Tariff) No. 13.
 Customs (Intermediate Tariff) No. 48.
Customs Tariff (Primage Duties)—Orders—Customs Tariff (Primage Duties) Nos. 51, 52.
Public Service Arbitration Act—Public Service Arbitrator—
 Determinations—1961—
 No. 23—Merchant Service Guild of Australasia.
 No. 24—Amalgamated Engineering Union and others.
 No. 25—Australian Federated Union of Locomotive Enginemen.
 No. 26—Australian Journalists' Association.
 No. 27—Musicians' Union of Australia.
 No. 28—Australian Broadcasting Commission Staff Association.
 No. 29—North Australian Workers' Union.
 No. 30—Amalgamated Engineering Union.
 No. 31—Amalgamated Engineering Union and others.
 No. 32—Australian Theatrical and Amusement Employees' Association.
 No. 33—Federated Ironworkers' Association of Australia.
 No. 34—Transport Workers' Union of Australia and others.
 No. 35—Australian Journalists' Association.
 No. 36—Federated Clerks' Union of Australia.
 No. 37—Australian Workers' Union.
 No. 38—North Australian Workers' Union.
 No. 39—Amalgamated Engineering Union and others.
 No. 40—Australian Workers' Union and Amalgamated Postal Workers' Union of Australia.
 No. 41—Electrical Trades Union of Australia.
3. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—ASSENT TO BILLS.—A Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced informing the House that His Excellency, in the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, had assented to the following Bills:—
 23rd August, 1961—*Message No. 28*—
 Wool Tax (No. 1) 1961.
 Wool Tax (No. 2) 1961.
 Wool Tax Assessment 1961.
4. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—A Message from the Senate was reported returning the following Bill without amendment:—
 22nd August, 1961—*Message No. 37*—Foot and Mouth Disease 1961.

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5. PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE—REPORT.—Mr. Davis (Chairman) brought up the following Report from the Joint Committee of Public Accounts:—
Fifty-third Report—The Reports of the Auditor-General—Financial Year 1959–60.
Ordered to be printed.
6. SUPPLY—BUDGET DEBATE.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

General debate resumed on the question, That the first item in the Estimates, under Division No. 101.—Senate—namely—

Salaries and allowances £34,250

be agreed to, and on the Amendment moved thereto by Mr. Calwell (Leader of the Opposition), viz.:—

That the first item be reduced by £1.

Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. Lucock reported accordingly.

Ordered—That the House will, at the next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

7. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Cramer (Minister for the Army) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-three minutes past eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Allan, Mr. Bland, Mr. Bowden, Mr. Browne, Mr. Bury, Mr. Daly, Mr. Galvin, Mr. Hamilton, Sir Wilfrid Kent Hughes, Mr. Lawson, Sir Earle Page, Mr. Snedden, Mr. Stokes and Mr. Thompson.

N. J. PARKES,
Acting Clerk of the House of Representatives.